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(SBU) On September 14 econoff delivered points in reftel to Manuel Mulas, Trade Officer, Intellectual Property Division, Department of Trade and Foreign Affairs. Mulas said that Canada agrees in principle with the United States that DG Idris should be held accountable for his actions. He explained that the U.S. and Canadian missions in Geneva work closely together, and that Canada will coordinate with the United States to fend off procedural maneuvering designed to prevent discussion of the internal auditor's report concerning Idris' use of multiple birthdates for personal gain. Mulas said that Canada's strategy on dealing with Idris had not yet been approved by his supervisors, and he was unable to comment on whether Canada would approach Idris to request that he resign. However, Mulas promised to share this information as soon as it became available.

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